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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination, kindly enter the following amendment in this application.

## In the Specification

On Page 1, insert before the first line the following paragraph:

This invention was made with Government support under Cooperative Agreement

DE-FC02-99EE50582 awarded by DOE. The Government has certain rights in this

invention.

## Remarks

No new material is added by the resent amendment.

Examination and consideration of the application as amended is requested.

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